WORKSHOP LOGISTICS CHECKLIST & CONFERENCE CALL SCHEDULE

Planning a workshop requires coordination in order to have all the needed components ready on the date of the workshop. The schedule below is approximate, but don't underestimate the time needed to plan a really good workshop. We recommend that you start planning at least 4 months in advance.

Conference calls have been highlighted in light green.

approximately 16 weeks (4 months)	
Orientation Call(s) – Overview of CFP program, identify park's expectations and goals, develop a conference call schedule, and identify point of contacts (WASO, region, park, & contractors).	
Submit CFP Application – http://www.nps.gov/climatefriendlyparks/involved/index.html	
Establish a CFP workshop planning team with park representatives & management – provide this to list to CFP team	
approximately 14 weeks	
Identify Key Sustainability/Climate Change Challenges - review data from CLIP, EMS, and sustainability checklist. Identify any missing information or data, and select the park unit's primary focus areas for the workshop and action planning, e.g. energy, water, and etc.	
Begin working on the Climate Leadership in Parks (CLIP) tool. Training and help is available via CLIPtool@nps.gov	
approximately 12 weeks	
Preliminary Agenda Discussion(s) – review agenda template, identify invitees, begin to develop invitations, begin to discuss session timeframes, designate a location for the workshop (reserve if necessary), and consider lunch options. Identify guest speakers and subject matter.	
EMS: Status & Role – Overview of how to incorporate CFP program elements into the existing EMS. Suggest elements include requirements and goals found within the Green Parks Plan and Climate Change Response Strategy to the extent that is applicable. Review the park unit's current EMS against the CFP elements.	
Complete the park's greenhouse gas inventory utilizing the CLIP tool and submit to CLIPtool@nps.gov for review	
Develop a list of potential attendees	
Identify potential meeting locations and assess for cost and seating capacity. Plan for a plenary, plus 3-4 break-out rooms (1 can be the plenary; secure rooms are ideal).	
Draft and review invitation	
approximately 10 weeks	
Ongoing Calls: Logistics & Agenda – These on-going calls will focus on the status of the agenda, workshop logistics, and updates on which guest speakers have accepted the initiation to speak.	
Ongoing Calls: Speaker Call or Meeting – One or a few members of the planning team will either meet or have a conference call with each confirmed speaker to ensure the speaker understands the goals of a CFP workshop and the subject matter we would like them to present. At times this might include a tour of a specific aspect of a park unit to provide the speaker with more specific information.	
Recruit park representatives to produce a park introduction presentation for the workshop, (CLIP results, EMS focus areas, team introduction, and other sustainability initiatives underway).	

Request that park superintendent or their designee prepare an opening welcome presentation to initiate the CFP workshop.	
Finalize meeting space, and establish main contact for space	
Finalize and send invitation – include note for participants to bring their own name tag or one will be provided.	
approximately 8 weeks	
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If park management is interested, arrange for a gift, such as re-usable coffee mugs or water bottles with CFP and park logo, to be handed out to participants and/or speakers.	
approximately 6 weeks	
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Revisit the EMS: Status – Further review the park unit's current EMS, and discussion about any pre-workshop work that was completed or needs to be completed. Any further questions about the role of EMS?	
Morning and Afternoon Breaks (any special dietary needs) - focus on sustainable food and no disposables	
Lunch each day (order in, any special dietary needs, etc.) - focus on sustainable food and no disposables	
Consider a park tour for visiting participants of the workshop (speakers, WASO and/or regional personnel)	
approximately 4 weeks	
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Determine what materials will be helpful for each break-out group to have during their session.	
Assure facilitators are assigned for each break-out group during action planning – meet with facilitators prior to workshop, either conference call or in-person meeting before/during first day of workshop.	
Collect RSVP's and final list of attendees	
Work with meeting site to ensure a glass of water is available for speakers at podium (no disposable bottles)	
approximately 2 weeks	
Ongoing Calls: Logistics & Agenda – any last minute ideas or changes?	
Create name tags for guest speakers & attendees, suggest NPS staff bring their NPS name badges	$ \square $

Print final CFP workshop resources for attendees, (agenda, vision card, attendee list, evaluation forms, etc.) (Contractor	
Responsibility) Check equipment list to make sure what needs to be brought/shipped to meeting site	
Assign someone to take photos of the event, if desired.	H
Meet with facilitators prior to workshop, either conference call or in-person meeting before/during first day of workshop.	
Equipment list	
Tables and chairs set up in classroom style ideally, otherwise theater style will suffice	
2 LCD projectors with screen/blank wall	
All wires and connections needed for power and hook-up from LCDs to laptops	
6 flip charts with markers	Щ
1-2 six-foot tables with chairs for speakers at the front of the room (if applicable – panel)	
1 six-foot tables for hand-out materials on the program and the park	
2-3 easels for posters/signs	\mathbb{H}
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DURING THE WORKSHOP	
Facilitating the CFP Workshop	
Assign someone to serve as time keeper throughout the entire workshop and inform moderator as necessary - Contractor Responsibility	
Record key ideas and action items through the entirety of the workshop, (including flip charts and other group notes) – Contractor Responsibility	
Distribute a evaluation form to attendees – Contractor Responsibility	
POST WORKSHOP	
Final CFP Workshop Products	
Provide park unit with a CFP workshop summary that contains the following: final agenda, summary of presentations, specific questions asked during presentations and sessions, list of all action items developed during the break-out groups, and a summary of third day events, thoughts, and questions. (Contractor - 2 weeks after the scheduled CFP workshop)	
Finalize participating parks' emission reduction goals (6 weeks after the scheduled CFP workshop)	
Complete and submit a draft EMS or Action Plan	
Implement and continue developing EMS yearly work plan or Action Plan	
Submit the final an EMS or Action Plan	
Become recognized as a Climate Friendly Parks Member Park	
Monitor progress and report results (Ongoing)	
Feedback and Wrap up	
Summarize the workshop feedback forms (Contractor - 2 weeks after the scheduled CFP workshop)	
Prepare and send thank you notes to guest speakers (3 weeks after the scheduled CFP workshop)	